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In re Application of

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Customer Number: 20277

Fernando L. ALVARADO, et al.

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For: METHOD FOR MANAGING RISK IN MARKETS RELATED TO COMMODITIES

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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated June 28, 2004, now due to expire September 28, 2004, be extended for two month(s) and set to expire on November 28, 2004.

Please charge the extension fee of \$430.00 to Deposit Account No. 500417. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500417.

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